

Forging Strategic Partnerships for Economic Growth

Local Elected Officials Meeting

Andy Ross, Columbia County Board Joe Parisi, Dane County Executive Russell Kottke, Dodge County Board Chair Jim Schroeder, Jefferson County Board Chair Robert Miller, Marquette County Board Chair Marty Krueger, Sauk County Board Chair

> February 3, 2015 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Concourse Hotel Conference Room IV 1 W. Dayton Street, Madison

Members Present: Russell Kottke, Chair; Marty Krueger, Jim Schroeder, and Andy Ross

Guests Present: Alan Langeteig, Dave Phillips

Staff Present: Pat Schramm, Erin Bechen

Agenda Item 1 - Welcome & Introductions

Kottke called the meeting to order at 8:14 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

Agenda Item 2 - Review & Approval of the January 16, 2014 Local Elected Officials (LEO) Meeting Minutes

Kottke asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2014 Local Elected Officials meeting as presented. Ross moved to approve the minutes as presented. Krueger offered the second. No discussion followed on this motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item 3 - Election of Officers

Schramm shared that annually we elect officers. Russell has been Chair and John Molinaro was Vice Chair until he left. The Vice Chair position is currently vacant.

MOTION: Schramm asked for a motion for election of Chair. Ross made a motion to nominate Russell Kottke as Chair. Schroeder offered the second. No discussion followed on this motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

<u>MOTION</u>: Schramm asked for a motion for election of Vice Chair. Krueger made a motion to nominate Andy Ross as Vice Chair. Schroeder offered the second. No discussion followed on this motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Agenda Item 4 - Discussion of New Workforce Legislation - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Timeline

Schramm shared that we have new legislation called the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This is a five year authorization and it has money attached to it for the first time. The money increases every year for five years. She shared that regulations will be released in mid-April. One change is that the structure of Boards will be changing. She highlighted a few key dates:

Mid-April – get draft regulations. On July 1, 2015, keep old regulations in place as far as performance standards. New allocations will be coming in under new act. The new act will go into place July 1, 2016. This will give us a year to stage the work.

On December 31, 2015, we will likely need our Board certifications in place. The final regulations will be issued in April. If there are things that don't make sense, we will have an opportunity to give feedback.

March 3, 2016 - Formal Unified Plan submission.

July 1, 2016 – One-stop Infrastructure cost requirements take effect (July 1, 2016). There shouldn't be many implications in most counties; Dane may be a little different.

Region Recertification

Schramm talked about what needs to be done. Frist, the region needs to be re-certified. This is a lot of work so we voiced our concerns with the Governor that the regions need to left in place.

Schramm directed members to the *Charter* handout. Schramm asked members if they want this conversation to go through the County Boards. Krueger shared this is an opportunity for the Board staff to visit the counties and Board meetings. Schramm will update members when we know what the final timeline is.

Schramm directed members to the *Updated WDB/LEO Agreement*. Schramm shared we have to wait to hear about the regulations to see how to address this document. Schramm said we will likely inform County Boards about this document but not act on it. This document is between the Workforce Board and the County Board Chairs.

Board Recertification

Schramm shared that the regulations also are indicating a slimming down of the Board by a handful of members. Schramm has been not filling vacant positions to see what will be the new Board membership requirements by sector. Schramm stated that she will be coming to Board Chairs in summer 2015 regarding Board positions.

Changes to Programs

Schramm directed members to the Side by Side Analysis of WIOA document.

She shared WIOA changes how youth funding is set up. Right now youth funding is 70% in- school youth. The funding shifts to 75% for out of school youth and dropouts. Also 25% of funds need to be spent on work experience. The other big change is that 20% of adult and dislocated worker money may be spent on incumbent workers. We can help companies move entry level workers up.

Schramm also shared we have done a lot of work on the federal level and our footprints are all over the new legislation. A lot of our sector work is really aligned and the new legislation supports this work.

Agenda Item 5 – Discussion of issues that the Local Elected Officials need as a priority area if concentration for Board work

Kottke stated that there is a lot of struggle with lack of economic development support.

Krueger stated that Sauk is making way on the economic development front. They are completing a strategic plan and evaluating leadership requirements.

Langeteig stated that the new legislation may be an opportunity to better align economic development efforts within counties.

Krueger asked if there is more opportunity for alignment with criminal justice issues. All the Board Chairs are hoping there will be as it would be helpful.

Agenda Item 6 - Briefing on the impact of Re-employment Services and Food Stamp Employment and Training (FSET) Programs

Schramm reported that anyone coming on to unemployment is going to be required to do a registration and assessment online. Then they will be pulled into workshops at Job Centers or tutorials online. This is going to impact IT systems at Job Centers. If there is a need to increase width of broadband, the State may share funding for increase in costs. This will also increase traffic into Job Centers.

Secondly, there is a new FSET program and Dane County has the contract. The Board is working outside of the county to support individuals and get the services into the Job Centers. Schramm stated that in Dane, they are asking to include other agencies as hubs like Urban League, etc.

Agenda Item 7 - Adjournment

Schramm stated that in the future, she would like to tag onto the ICC meetings.

Kottke asked if there was any other issues to discuss. With no other business, Kottke moved to adjourn the meeting.

Adjourned: 9:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Pat Schramm

Workforce Development Board of South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

Attachment for Board Records:

- Agenda
- Draft LEO Minutes from January 16, 2014
- WIOA Dates Handout
- Side by Side Analysis of WIOA
- Charter of LEO's
- Updated LEO/WDB Agreement

- LEO Roster
- Annual Report

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